CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Expansion of Doordarshan Network in Assam

3798. SHRI BHADRESWAR GOHAIN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to answer to Unstarred Question 922 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 1st March, 1994 and state whether any new TV centre would be opened in Assam during the current year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): An HPT is envisaged to be set up at Tezpur subject to the sanctioning of scheme. In addition to a VLPT at Digboi, 7 LPTs one each at Bongaigaon, Haflong, North Lakhimpur, Sonari, Lumding, Hojai and Tinsukia are at present under implementation in Assam. All of the 7 LPTs and VLPT Digboi under implementation are scheduled for commissioning during the year 1994-95, subject to availability of infrastructural and timely supply of equipments.

रायपुर और छत्तीसगढ़ में उच्च-शक्ति वाले ट्रांसमीटर की स्थापना

3799. श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव : क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार रायपुर और छत्तीसगढ़ जिलों में विभिन्न स्थानों पर उच्च शक्ति वाले टेलीविजन ट्रांसमीटर स्थापित करने का विचार रखती हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस समय ऐसे कितने प्रस्ताव विचाराधीन हैं ;

(ग) रायपुर जिले में किन-किन स्थानों पर टेलीविजन ट्रांसमीटर स्थापित किए जाने का विचार है और इनको स्थापित करने पर कितनी धनराशि खर्च होने की सम्भावना है ; और

(घ) ये ट्रांसमीटर कब से कार्य करना आरम्भ कर देंगे ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री के० पी० सिंह देव) : (क) और (ख) रायपुर में 10 किलोवाट का एक उच्च शक्ति ट्रांसमीटर पहले से ही कार्यशील है । छत्तीसगढ़ क्षेत्र के अम्बिकापुर (जिला सरगुजा) में 10 किलोवाट का एक उच्च शक्ति ट्रांसमीटर स्थापित किए जाने की भी परिकल्पना है ।

(ग) वर्तमान में, रायपुर जिले के किसी अन्य स्थान पर ट्रांसमीटर स्थापित करने का कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है ।

(घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Showing of Blue Films in Tiruchi

3800. SHRI SOM PAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news report published in the 'Indian Express' dated 6th February, 1994 to the effect that a theatre in Tiruchi has been regularly showing scenes of the blue films during its regular shows;

(b) if so, what action has been or is being taken against the theatre and its owners; and

(c) if no action has been/is being taken the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) Government have seen the news item.

(b) and (c) The news item refers to screening of bits of blue film alongwith the certified film. It is an offence under the Cinematograph Act, 1952. The responsibility for enforcing the provisions of this Act rests with the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations. The attention of the Government of Tamil Nadu has been drawn to the news item for appropriate action.

Media Baron's Plans for Projection of Indian Cultural Ethos

3801. SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Media Baron has apprised of his media plans to the Prime Minister during his meeting with the latter;

(b) if so, the details of such plans;

(c) whether he has assured for projection and interpretation of Indian cultural ethos in the world correctly;

(d) if so, the details thereof;